GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:690
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INDIA SPECIFIC SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENT WITH IAEA
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Will the Minister of PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the agreement between International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) and the Government of India regarding the India-specific safeguards;

(b) whether the IAEA through this agreement automatically gets the right to inspect the Indian atomic reactors;

(c) if so, the details thereof;and

(d) the measures taken to safeguard the interest and sovereignty of the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER`S OFFICE AND MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN)

(a) The draft agreement between the Government of India and the International Atomic Energy Agency approved by the IAEA Board of Governors on 1.8.2008 provides for the Application of Safeguards to Civilian Nuclear Facilities.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) According to the terms of the agreement,cooperation between India and the International Atomic Energy Agency must be carried out with full respect for the objectives of the Statute and with due observance of the sovereign rights of India.